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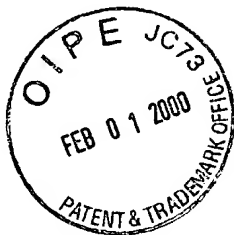
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION

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Sir:

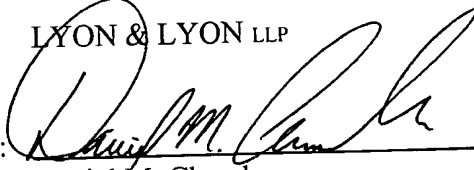
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time to take action in response to the Office Action mailed July 26, 1999. This extension of time is effective to allow timely filing of a response up to and including January 26, 2000.

Please debit our Deposit Account No. 12-2475 in the amount of \$870.00. If this amount is incorrect, please charge or credit our Deposit Account No. 12-2475 for the appropriate amount.

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